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September 26, 2002

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**AS-NEEDED GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING SERVICES,
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS TESTING, AND INSPECTION
AWARD SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENTS
SPECS. VARIOUS; DSR VARIOUS; C.P. VARIOUS
ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Award and authorize the Director of Public Works to execute supplemental agreements with Kleinfelder, Inc. (Contract PW-12412), and Ninyo & Moore (Contract PW-12413) for as-needed geotechnical engineering, construction materials testing, and inspection services for capital and earthquake repair projects with no changes to the term of each agreement. Each of the two supplemental agreements will increase the not to exceed contract amount by \$600,000 to a total of \$900,000 each to be funded from the Federal and State Disaster Aid Budget or Capital Project funds, as appropriate.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On July 31, 2001, based on a qualifications-based selection process, your Board authorized agreements with Kleinfelder and Ninyo & Moore to provide as-needed services for various capital and earthquake recovery projects. The use of independent materials testing and inspection firms during construction provides assurance that the materials, products, and processes used by the contractor meet the requirements of the construction documents. The current and anticipated workload exceeds the capacity of existing County resources, and these agreements are an efficient means of providing as-needed technical

services for large and small projects while reducing procurement costs associated with individual contracts. Furthermore, work to date by each vendor has been responsive and thorough and met professional standards.

The original agreements each included a not to exceed fee of \$300,000 based on a projection in early 2001 of services over the four-year life of the agreements. Because of increased demand for geotechnical engineering, construction materials testing, and inspection services, we recommend supplementing each agreement by \$600,000 to a total of \$900,000 each. The contracting authority under each agreement was used more quickly than anticipated because these services were used on major projects including the Antelope Valley Courthouse, Los Padrinos Juvenile Hall, and Central Juvenile Hall. Approximately \$200,000 was spent from each contract in Fiscal Year 2001-02. We anticipate that \$350,000 will be spent from each contract in Fiscal Year 2002-03. The remaining authorization within the not to exceed amounts will be appropriated in subsequent fiscal years. We anticipate that the total not to exceed fee of \$900,000 allocated for each contract will meet the projected needs of capital and earthquake repair projects for the entire four-year contract term. Enclosure A provides a list of some of the projects for which these services may be used.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan Goal of Fiscal Responsibility as these consultant agreements will support repair, improvement, and construction of public facilities.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The FEMA/OES disaster claiming process and insurance proceeds for earthquake recovery projects will fund the contract supplements in the amount of \$150,000 each. The remaining \$450,000 of each contract supplement will be funded through the appropriate capital or refurbishment project's budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

A standard supplemental agreement, previously approved as to form by County Counsel, will be used. The existing consultant services agreement includes the standard Board-directed clauses that provide for termination of services, renegotiation, hiring qualified, displaced County employees, Greater Avenues for Independence Program, and Child Support Compliance Program.

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ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

Award of these supplemental agreements will have no environmental impact.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of these supplemental agreements will have no impact on County services or projects. The impacts on services from the construction projects which these agreements support will be individually assessed prior to approval by your Board.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel

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ENCLOSURE A

**GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING, CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS
TESTING, AND INSPECTION SERVICES
VARIOUS COUNTY PROJECTS**

The following are some of the projects for which these services may be used:

- Los Padrinos Juvenile Hall Housing Units
- Antelope Valley Courthouse
- Central Juvenile Hall - Housing Units
- Adventure County Park New Gym Building & General Improvements
- Virginia Robinson Gardens
- Will Rogers State Beach
- SB 1953 Hospital Seismic Retrofit Program
- Fire Station 72
- Long Beach Courthouse
- Public Works Headquarters Seismic Retrofit
- Alhambra Health Center
- LAC+USC Medical Center Outpatient Clinic
- Olive View Medical Center Materials Management
- Arraignment Court Parking Lot 75